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HUSBAND'S ATTACK SAID TO HAVE CAUSED DEATH OF WIFE

Supposed Former Charleroi Man Accused of Committing Awful Crime

WOMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL

Corn Cutter Instrument Said to Have Been Used—Son Tells of Meeting Father As He Approached Home—Says Mother Had Complained

Mrs. Mary Bruey, aged 44 of Cross Creek township, Washington county, said to be formerly of Charleroi, died in Mercy hospital Pittsburgh Monday evening of injuries received Monday morning when it is alleged her husband, Theophile Bruey, a farmer attacked her with a corn cutter while she was milking a cow. Her daughter Rosie, aged 14, who ran to her assistance and struck Bruey on the head with a club was cut on one hand when her father, it is said turned upon her. She is in Mercy Hospital.

Bruey was arrested and placed in the Washington county jail.

Jealousy is said to have prompted the attack. Joseph Bruey, a son identified the body and made a statement to the coroner. He said his mother had been at his home Sunday evening and told him she was unable to stand the treatment she received at the hands of her husband. Joseph Bruey was on his way to try to adjust matters Monday forenoon when he met his father carrying the blood-covered corn cutter.

INVESTIGATING THE UNUSUAL DEATH OF MAN IN POOL ROOM

Coronial authorities of Westmoreland county are investigating the sudden and somewhat mysterious death of Frank Drayhune, aged 35 years at the pool room of Frank Rossin at Eleventh street, Monessen, Monday night about 11 o'clock. The pool room proprietor and four who were in the place at the time have been arrested and are being held pending an inquest.

The story told is that Drayhune played a game of pool and then started for the water cooler to get a drink. On his way he fell and his head struck a corner. He was picked up dead. A doctor said his death was due to heart trouble or acute alcoholism, but the wound on the head caused various rumors to spread, among which was that he had been struck with a cue. The deputy coroner accordingly determined upon a searching investigation.

SURPRISE MASQUERADE HELD FOR MISS GEORGE

A surprise party was held in honor to Miss Mildred George at her home on Seventh street Monday evening. About 12 masked friends were present. Games formed the evening's entertainment. Halloween decorations were used effectively and a Halloween lunch was served.

ADULT NIGHT SCHOOLS TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL THURSDAY

Hallowe'en Celebration Tonight and Proposed School Opening Conducted—Arrangements Made.

The Hallowe'en celebration which will be a feature tonight in Charleroi has caused a postponement of the night schools for adults which will be opened for the term at the high school building. One of the adult schools will be for foreigners who desire to prepare for citizenship examinations. The other will be a night school for adults over 16 who desire to prepare themselves in some special way, like in mechanical drawing, bookkeeping, typewriting, shorthand, domestic science and so forth.

Both schools will be started Thursday evening of this week.

ORATORS FLAY PARTY ACTIONS

Congressmen Crago and Temple and Judge Hayes Speak at Donora

MEXICAN TROUBLE DISCUSSED

Another great Republican rally was held Monday evening when the campaigners gathered at Donora. A meeting was held in the Grand theatre, when Chairman Dwight M. Anderson presided.

Col. Thomas M. Crago, congressman-at-large and a candidate for reelection was the first speaker. He spoke on the tariff. He discussed the Democratic campaign of 1912. While Wilson was electioneering he promised to the American people "pitiless publicity." But where the speaker asked, has this occurred. What about the building of the Panama canal, with its expense of millions of dollars and the laying and revoking of tolls on ships passing through. Why were the marines sent into Vera Cruz?

The Democratic platform of 1912 contained four promises:

Reduction in the high cost of living.

Would not interfere with business.

Increase foreign commerce.

Provide running expenses of government.

All of these have failed, said Col. Crago, except the imports have increased under the Underwood tariff law. The Republican party promises protection to its citizens and also stands for Americanism, the speaker said in conclusion.

Judge Arthur Hayes of Washington, D. C., who was assistant attorney general under Roosevelt, was the next speaker. He spoke briefly of the tariff, but dwelt at some length on the Mexican situation. He contrasted vividly the policy of the United States as compared with that of England in caring for its citizens in the land below the Rio Grande. He said that he

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WORK OF TEACHERS IS MERELY TATTING

Hardest Work They Have to do in Independence and Cross Creek Townships is Receive Pay Check—Have to be on Job Ready For Pupils Who do Not Come

For the first time in history perhaps school teachers are drawing wages in this county for tatting, reading or otherwise busying themselves at their appointed school buildings in Cross Creek and Independence townships, from the hours of 9 in the morning until 4 o'clock at night. They are not bothered with school duties and the hardest work of any kind they have to do is receive their regular monthly pay checks.

The situation has developed by reason of a school fight between school patrons and school directors, resulting in a general strike of school children. At the Independence school there are three teachers employed who do not have a pupil, yet must put in their time. The teachers thus holding down the easiest jobs known

to the profession are May E. Brown, Edna Love and Florence Danley.

In Cross Creek township the teachers are Miss Marie Oviatt teacher of the primary department, who has two pupils; Miss Bessie La Rue, teacher of the intermediate department who has seven pupils and Verner Jeffrey, advanced room, who up to this week had two pupils, his scholars being transported now by road wagon to the Parterson Mills Schools.

A new school is being put up at Avella, which is now under roof and which will not be completed before December 1. When this school is completed it will give four available rooms which it is thought will take care of the situation. There is a disposition, it is reported on the part of the Avella School Board to compromise matters

AFFAIRS IN HAND FOR CELEBRATION

Hallowe'en Observance Tonight to be Big Feature—Parade to Start at 7:30 O'clock at McKean Avenue and Second Street

The committees preparing for the big Hallowe'en celebration to be featured tonight have affairs well in hand. The prize list is ready. First prizes of \$5 will be given to the finest dressed man and the finest dressed woman with \$2.50 as the second prize to each. The same prizes will be given to the most comic dressed man and the most comic dressed woman. To the finest dressed boy will be given \$2.50 and to the finest dressed girl the same amount.

Judging will take place along McKean avenue near Fifth street by the corps of judges consisting of Roland W. Brown, Jack Mathias, John Jenkins, William Darby, Jr., and Hugh E. Fergus, Esq.

No disorder will be tolerated this evening and there will be police a plenty to see that no property is destroyed through the maliciousness of ultra mischievous ones. The parade beginning at 7:30 o'clock at Second street will be the big feature.

NEW SAND BARGE IN USE ALONG THE RIVER

Keystone Sand Company Introduces Late Model of Carrying Hopper—Water Separated From Sand by Means of Steam Syphons

A new and novel but successful venture has been introduced by the Keystone Sand Company of the Pittsburgh district in the way of a newly devised sand carrying hopper or barge. Each of the craft is 100 feet long and 20 feet wide, with six feet depth of hold. They are built with water tight compartments which separate the water from the sand or gravel as it is being located. In turn the water is pumped from the bottom of the craft by steam syphons which are attached as needed. The same principal is used in separating water from gravel.

The newly designed river craft are built entirely of steel. The Keystone Sand Company is also building two new steel propellers to be used in towing their various sand dredges, barges and flats which are operated chiefly in the second Monongahela river pool.

SLACKWATER JUST BACK FROM TEN DAYS' TRIP

United States Steamer Completes Repairs at Lock No. 1—Risher to be Fitted Out With New Boilers—Steamer Lee H. Brooks Sold

The United States Steamer Slackwater, Capt. James T. Nutt, has just returned from a ten days' trip down the river. During the trip a new valve was put in at Lock No. 1 and wickets at Lock No. 2. The latter work was all under water and was done by E. C. Herbel and George W. Kline, submarine divers.

The steamer J. C. Risher of the River Coal company—now the Pittsburgh Coal company—will be fitted out with a set of new steel boilers at the company's shops on the Southside Pittsburgh. The Risher is one of the oldest and best boats of her class.

The Steamer Lee H. Brooks, one of the old timers owned by the J. K. Davidson Sand Company, doing business on the Allegheny river was sold recently to parties in Memphis, Tenn., and left on her southern journey last week. The Brooks is one of the oldest boats now in the business and was formerly in the packet trade. Her new owners will use her in the

JONES AND LAUGHLIN BUYING COAL FROM OTHER COMPANIES

WILL RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TOMORROW FOR LITHUANIANS

Large Cities and Towns in United States to Assist in Relief Work For Suffering People in War Zone

Tomorrow is Lithuanian Day, when collections will be taken up in all the large cities and towns of the United States for war, famine and disease-stricken Lithuanian people still living in the war zone. Locally there will be as general an observance as possible conducted under the auspices of the Charleroi and Donora Lithuanian colony. Contributions locally will be received at the Bank of Charleroi. The American Red Cross Society at Washington, D. C. is assisting in the work and taking an active interest.

There will be 155 collectors in this district. They will wear badges and contributors are requested to give to no others. K. W. Daly is local treasurer.

DIRTY FOG IS TROUBLESOME

Train and Trolley Schedules Slightly Disarranged by Early Morning Mist

ALMOST TOO THICK TO SLICE

Fog that put thought of dark deeds in the minds of humans and dirty-black dust in their lungs lined the Monongahela valley this morning. Going to work was a matter of carving one's way through an atmosphere that seemed tough enough to wreck a train.

Automobile traffic was carried on at a minimum during the early morning along the valley, because of the danger. Trains and trolley schedules were slightly disarranged and train dispatchers had to be forever on their guard to prevent some serious catastrophe.

Probably not another fog of the numerous fogs thus far this fall was as heavy as that this morning. The worst of it was the dirt which the fog carried with it, due to the factory and mine dust from the mills and mines which front the river. Fair weather is promised ahead, but the weather man has no predictions to make concerning fog.

MISS LAURETTA BROUNCE IS HONOR GUEST AT PARTY

A Hallowe'en party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hotz on McKean avenue Monday evening in honor to Mrs. Hotz sister Miss Lauretta Brounce. Thirty guests were present. Lunch was served by the hostess.

timber and lumber trade. The Davidson Company will shortly place in commission their new tow boat, the Dick Davidson, which now is being fitted out at Marietta, Ohio to take the place of the Brooks in the sand and gravel trade.

Will Attend to Own Transportation Details Through Use of Own Boats

STEAMERS UNDERGO REPAIRS

Vulcan and Titan Just Off the Docks—Steamer Vesta Taken to McCune Docks For Overhauling—Labor Shortage Reduces Production

Unable to supply the demand of their large mills in the Pittsburgh district from their Vesta mines along the Monongahela river, the Jones and Laughlin interests have entered into several contracts for valley coal to be supplied by large independent firms. To enable them to handle the immense supply they are getting their fleet of towboats repaired and renovated, and their flats put in the best of shape.

The Vesta Coal Company is taxed beyond its utmost capacity to supply coal for Jones and Laughlin mills. There appears to be no leup in sight during the winter and mining is not up to its maximum due to a labor shortage.

The Jones and Laughlin company will attend to the transportation of all the coal they buy from other firms as well as the coal from all their own mines. In line with this idea the steamers Vulcan and Titan have undergone repairs on the dock and resumed their places in the regular coal towing trade. The steamer Vesta was taken to the McCune docks at Dravosburg on Monday and will receive a general repairing before entering the winter trade.

FAREWELL RECEPTION TENDERED

MRS. CAVANAUGH BY L. C. B. A.

Mrs. Thomas Cavanaugh of Crest avenue was hostess Monday evening at a delightful function given in her honor by Branch 782 L. C. B. A. The diversions were vocal and instrumental music, games and progressive euchre, favors being awarded to Mrs. William Stopp, Sr. Mrs. Emil Silverman, Miss Anna Sullivan, Mrs. John Maines and Miss Anna McGinn. The hostess was the recipient of a beautiful electric parlor lamp.

After the evening had been pleasantly spent the guests were invited to partake of the many good things that were on the festive board. Assisting the hostess was Mrs. William McBride. The guest list was large.

The Cavanaugh family will leave shortly for Steubenville, Ohio, where Mr. Cavanaugh has assumed duties with the LaBelle Iron Works in charge of the river shipments.

A. O. H. MEMBERS TENDER SURPRISE TO DONORA MAN

Dennis Connelly was tendered a pleasant surprise by the A. O. H. and Ladies Auxiliary of the A. O. H. from the valley at his home in Donora Monday evening. Music and euchre were the diversions. Mrs. Mary Ready of Donora, county president of the Ladies Auxiliary presented Mr. Connelly with a fine bouquet of chrysanthemums and a pair of cuff links.

J. E. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier

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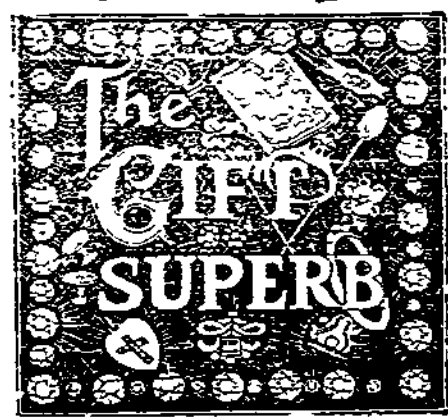
MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

HALL MARK STORE

This is truly the Gift Shop. The remarkable comprehensiveness of our displays and their splendid beauty, quality and value prove it. Undoubtedly you are going to buy some gifts this month or next for some wedding. We know that handsomer, more exquisite and more cleverly worked designs in gold, silver, brass and cut glass are not to be found anywhere nor their prices bettered.

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HALLOWEEN

Halloween customs have changed considerably in the last few years. We are happy to say for the better. In former years the idea of a Halloween celebration was that of a rowdy, mischievous prank, that more often than not carried with them damage to property or endangered life or limb. Tying a rope around a corner post to trip the horse of some belated wayfarer was only one of the numerous dangerous jokes that used to be popular.

Somebody had to establish the custom of Halloween observance by practical jokes and somebody had to change it. It was changed by the adoption of something infinitely more interesting, entertaining, and if we may say it, elevating. There is something more worth while in masking for a merry evening than there is putting a stolen saloon sign on a church door.

The idea of giving at Christmas time was instituted by a happy soul, who became impressed with the idea that the best way to rejoice at the anniversary of the birth of the Saviour, bringing happiness and hope into the world, was to make others happy through a material proof of love. He gave a few gifts to children and the custom spread. So with Halloween.

Halloween immediately precedes All-hallow or All-Saints day and from time immemorial has been devoted to merrymaking in many countries. Playful ceremonies and charms were in early centuries used in the effort to discover future wives and husbands. Its observance spread to the more up-to-date celebration branching out into what we know it now to be.

COUNTY ROAD REPAIRS

The county has acquired the first motor truck of its road equipment to be used in the maintenance of county highways, taking a step forward toward the elimination of chance in road improvement and in the direction of economy.

Experience the last summer was that when trucks, wagons, labor and so forth were needed, they were not to be had, save at a cost tremendously high. This indicated to the county commissioners the necessity of the county owning and operating its repair department. Figures show that road maintenance will be cheaper and results better under the new system.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

CLEAN THEM OUT.

The Charleroi Mail advances the statement that society cannot tolerate such criminality as that to which confession was made in Monongahela a few days ago by one young scapegrace, who has not only worked his way into the clutches of the law, but has likewise implicated a number of his companions.

This is true. Society cannot tolerate any infraction of the law, if we are to have any kind of stable government. True we have many laws easily broken, particularly of a civil character, but in these days the infraction of the criminal code seems to keep pace with the civil list and every term of court we have a long list of defendants trailing into court to receive their just punishment.

Organizations such as the "Transom" gang to which the young man above referred to belonged are a menace to society, as is every other organization which attempts to deprive any man of his property, or his life. Recently there have been a number of murders and any number of assaults, which have been charged to a so-called "Black Hand" society. Wherever such an organization exists it is evident from surface incidents that many of these assaults are the work of the same organization.

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GINGLES' JINGLES

NOT APPRECIATED.

The poor barber has been roasted hard from every point of view, as it should be until he hardly knows which is best to do. He has tried to please his trade, has tried to do the best he could, but his fingers have not been able to do it at making a good haircut. He has tried to close up shop and heat it back, but his fingers have not been able to do it at making a good haircut. He has tried to close up shop and heat it back, but his fingers have not been able to do it at making a good haircut.

The "Transom" gang may be broken up, but unfortunately there remains one even more desperate, which will not hesitate to take life should its demands be refused. Of these things there appears to be plenty of evidence, although the culprits have so far been able to conceal their identity.—Donora Herald.

POOR MATERIAL FOR SOLDIERS

Some of our public men continue to reveal a strange notion of the requirements of our military service. Several cases have come to light recently of judges suspending jail sentences on conditions that the offenders should join the army. The governor of Arkansas pardoned a penitentiary convict sentenced to serve a two-year term for an offense against a young girl, on condition that he shall join the National Guard. Needless to say the army and the Guard, however much they may need recruits—and the need just now is great—do not want jail-bird volunteers. The recruiting officers are not looking for that sort of material. The men in the ranks don't want that sort of comrades. And the public certainly doesn't sanction the policy that such action exemplifies.

Officers against the law often make good soldiers; that fact has been shown in almost every army in Europe, in the present war. But in the United States there is no such extremity. When the enemy has invaded our territory it will be time enough to empty the jails and penitentiaries for defenders. In the meantime, every citizen should take pride in maintaining not only the efficiency of our military establishment but the character of its personnel.

If there ever was a time when Americans considered that anybody who wasn't much good for anything else was good enough for the army that time has passed. The time has passed, too when the army can be treated as a reformatory for young men of evil tendencies. The defense of the nation calls for a regular army, navy and military reserve possessing the same moral qualities that we expect to find in any other honorable profession. And thanks to the new public attitude of respect and admiration for the common soldier and sailor we are getting men of higher type than ever before.—East Liverpool Review.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Waiting is something that all of us can watchfully engage in.

Once Again.

Hear the old familiar howl,
Hear the old perennial growl,
We have heard it oft before,
But we've heard it o'er and o'er,
Never has a year gone by
But we've heard the self-same cry,
Now it's sounding far and near:
"Turkeys will be scarce this year."

—Roy K. Moulton

That West Virginia boy who didn't like school took the surest means of getting rid of it when he set it afire.

A lot of folk who object to preachers concerning themselves with their politics are very pointed in their advice to the preacher how to vote.

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COURT TO INVESTIGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT FUSS

The court has fixed next Wednesday morning, November 8, at 10 o'clock as the time for a hearing in the matter of the Cross Creek Township school district. It is a matter of the removal of the Buckeye school, that proper school districts are not being provided. A number of allegations are made against the board and their removal for these alleged failures to perform their duties is sought. On the other hand, the directors deny the charges made. This Cross Creek hearing will continue until completed and may have to be carried into Thursday. Immediately following it will be heard the complaint against the Independence township directors, against the school directors of that township. The school affected is that at Avella. The Buckeye school in Cross Creek township and the Avella school in Independence township are just across the creek from each other. A joint high school to accommodate both districts is wanted in that section.

APPEALS FROM SUMMARY CONVICTION IS FILED

Appeals from summary conviction were set for hearing Monday before Judge J. A. McIlvaine. The one case heard so far is that of the commonwealth against Isaac Rosenberg. He was arrested for trespassing on property of the Lilley Coal & Coke Co., near West Brownsville. Before Squire Eckles of West Brownsville, he was fined \$10 and costs. Rosenberg, at the time he committed the alleged trespass, was delivering merchandise to employees of the coal company. It appears the company has a company store and its efforts are not to permit goods to reach these employees other than through the company store. Jules Vigerson was discharged and the costs put on Peter Basne. The alleged offense was committed at Atlasburg.

Deeds Recorded.

Oct. 18, 1916—North Charleroi Land Co., to Edward Karmann, North Charleroi, a lot fronting 30 feet on Center avenue, North Charleroi, and extending back 110 feet; consideration \$15.

Sept. 13, 1916—William Steel, et ux., Speers, to Charles W. Sutherland, et al., Charleroi, a lot fronting 50 feet on Speers street, Speers, and extending back 150 feet; consideration \$300.

Sept. 27, 1916—Charles G. Stoffel et ux., Nelson B. C. to August Tomajko et ux., Charleroi a lot fronting 40 feet on Lookout avenue, Charleroi and extending back 120 feet; consideration \$1.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

Some farmers in a certain country place had noticed that their fowl were being stolen and reported the case to the police.

A few days later a negro was arrested on suspicion and brought before the judge who, wishing to know if he had ever committed a similar offense, commenced to cross-examine him.

"Did you ever steal a hen?" asked the judge.

"No, sir," came the quick reply.

"Did you ever steal a turkey?" questioned the judge.

"Did you ever steal a duck?"

"No sir, I never did."

"Well, since you have never committed any of these offenses, you are The ducky left the courtroom and met a friend to whom he related his experience, and added:

"But, golly, if he had said, 'Did you ever steal a rooster?' he would have had me."

"I just know," simpered a young matron to a friend, as she gazed out upon the ballroom floor. "I just know that horrid Jones woman is in love with my husband. I know and I think she is the limit."

"Nonsense, Mary," replied the friend.

"You are imagining things. Why your husband has hardly spoken to her this evening excepting as the conventionalities demanded. You're dreaming. Wake up."

"No, I'm not. I know what I'm talking about. She's simply head over heels in love with him."

"How do you know that?"

"Well, she has danced with my husband twice and no woman can do that without being in love with him and willing to overlook a great deal. I can't dance with him more than once myself."

CADDIES OF THE LINKS.

Their Originals Were Messenger Boys In Old Edinburgh.

Originally the caddy of the present day golf links appears to have been quite another individual, engaged in another line of activity. Caddies in the remote past were messenger boys in old Edinburgh. Gathered around the famous Edinburgh cross, where all important messages were read and many public ceremonies were held, these boys were the very center of the old city—the caddies in their ragged clothes waited to be employed.

The sons of merchants of the city, the leading officials, persons, the men of learning and of talent, the nobles, the ladies, the clergy—all clustered about the cross during certain hours of the day, and very often some one would send a word or message to another part of the town or a stranger to Edinburgh, wanted to be directed.

Here was where the caddies were employed. These boys might be trusted with any duty with which they were charged. They were veritable street directrices. A visitor to the town would often engage a caddy to be wholly at his beck and call, as the boy's knowledge of the place was invaluable.

But, unless this visitor were most cautious, he would suddenly discover that his caddy, in addition to his vast knowledge of Edinburgh, knew all about his employer—where he came from, what was his business in Edinburgh, his family connections, his tastes and preferences.—Exchange.

LIVING AEROPLANES.

Wherein Birds Differ From Flying Machines Made by Man.

It would be a mistake to suppose that the bird's wings enable it to fly. 12 wings spelled flying and of us could attach a pair and soar into the air.

The hollow bones of the birds make light bodies, but they are attached to a rigid backbone, which forms the main feature of the bird's body. This gives the central firmness, and the muscles do the rest. The wings balance their owners, and the tail acts as a rudder for steering. Often enough the bird seems to use its tail as a sort of brake.

It is interesting to compare the bird with the product of man's skill—the aeroplane. To begin with, there is no aeroplane made which copies the up and down motion of the bird's wings, all our machines having fixed wings, or planes.

But naturally men tried to copy the living birds around him. He made wings of feathers, etc., connected them with his shoulders and legs and found that his muscles could not raise him an inch.

The muscles, or motors, which now drive him through the air are as strong as 200 horses, so no wonder he failed at first. Even the bird, with a body so perfectly formed for flight, has flying muscles equal in weight to all its other muscles put together.—Pearson's Weekly.

Dean Swift and the Cook.

There is a good story about Dean Swift apropos of the value of never overdoing anything. The dean's cook one day overroasted the leg of mutton for dinner, and in consequence she was summoned to the dining room. "Cook," said the dean in a pleasant voice, "this leg of mutton is overdone. Take it back and do it less."

"Impossible, your reverence," exclaimed the cook.

"Well," replied her master, "supposing it had been underdone, you could easily have done it more."

"Certainly, your reverence."

"Then," said the dean, "let this be a lesson to you. If you commit a fault always take care that it is a fault which will admit of a remedy."

Rainbows.

The time of day or the state of weather when a rainbow appears is believed by many people to be an indication of future weather conditions. According to an old rhyme, a rainbow in the morning warns the shepherds to be prepared for rain shortly; an evening rainbow points to fine weather the next day. Sailors believe that a rainbow in the wind is a sure sign of continued wet. If it comes in the opposite quarter the rain will soon stop. Again, if in fair weather a rainbow be seen foul weather will speedily set in. But if the bow appear in foul weather fair weather will be at hand.

On the Contrary.

"What a lot of mail you've got this morning!" exclaimed the poet's wife.

"But then, of course, this is your birthday, and those are 'Many happy returns' of the day" from all your friends."

"No," said the poet, pushing aside a heap of rejected manuscripts. "These are unhappy returns of the day from the publishers."—New York World.

Not Much.

"There should be a national holiday called junk day, when every house, barn, shed, garage, etc., should be relieved of all its junk."

"That's right, old man, but do you realize how little there would be left of many a happy home?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Between Girls.

"She says she wishes she could see herself as others see her."

"That's just an excuse for spending a lot of time in front of a mirror."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Only deeds give strength to life; only moderation gives it charm.—Jean Paul Richter.

OUR BELT OF ATMOSPHERE

In Thickness It Is to the Earth as the Skin Is to the Apple.

In a contribution to the year book of the department of agriculture, Royce Nunn of the United States weather bureau computes the thickness of the atmospheric envelope that surrounds the earth with the diameter of the earth itself.

The extreme limit of the earth's atmosphere is to the surface of the earth as the skin is to the apple. The earth's diameter is approximately 7,926 miles. But the diameter of the atmosphere decreases rapidly as altitude increases, so that three-quarters of the mass of the atmosphere lies below the seven mile limit.

Thus the old earth has but a thin coating of air, at least only about one-thirtieth as thick as the diameter of the earth, or if we consider only its really appreciable extent, which is about forty miles above the earth, only one two-hundredth as thick as the diameter of the earth. It is therefore a mere coating, not thicker, relatively speaking, than the skin on an apple of ordinary size. When you consider the fact that storms operate only in that part of the atmosphere which lies within about seven miles of the earth, and chiefly within three miles, it is truly wonderful what mighty forces they generate and what vast energy they expend within that thin film of gas.

A storm condition may cover one-third of the United States. The disturbance may be 1,000 to 1,500 miles in diameter, but less than seven miles thick. In other words, the body of air in which those tremendous forces work is of about the same proportions as a postcard.

NO ARCTIC WARRIORS.

As Hunters the Natives Are Wonders, but Cannot Make Soldiers.

Battle history halts at the arctic circle. Beyond that human life is so difficult to sustain that its willful waste is unthinkable. Nations with a foothold in the icy north recruit no armies in that rigid zone. Indeed, the men are of such meager stature and intellect that a military training is next to impossible.

The real natives of the arctic can endure hunger and fatigue, can march in their own fashion through hurricane and blizzard, but their value is rather to the explorer of the inhospitable north than to the soldier. As hunters they are wonderfully clever, yet they are curiously formal in administering the coup de grace.

They will apologize to the felled white bear which they have cornered before advancing to a close attack with bone tipped arrows and spears, a duel in which the odds seem decisively on the bear destroying the man. They are therefore not cowards in any sense, and few sportsmen would risk their lives against bear and wolf and walrus protected only by futile weapons and their own personal dexterity.

The Lapps and Samoyeds of arctic Russia, like the Eskimos of North America and Greenland, are so often compelled in times of dearth and famine to sacrifice their aged weaklings that this form of death has become a vague religious and social principle with them.

Nature's Rifle Bullets.

What man has learned by dint of thought and experiment some of the lower animals appear to know through instinct. An instance is furnished by what is called the "spiral swimming" of certain organisms, such as the spherical shaped volvox and several elongated infusorians. As these revolve about the axis of progression in the manner of a projectile fired from a rifle gun the consequence is that they are able to travel in a straight line, as they could not do otherwise, the revolution compensating with absolute precision for any tendency to deviate from a straight course. Without such a device many of these minute creatures would simply describe circles, making no forward progress.

Creation of a Knight.

The ceremonies at the creation of a knight have been various. The principal were a box on the ear and a stroke with a sword on the shoulder. John of Salisbury tells us the blow with the naked fist was in use among the ancient Normans. By this it was that William the Conqueror conferred the honor of knighthood on his son Henry. It was afterward changed into a blow with the flat of the sword on the shoulder of the knight.

Appreciation.

"How was the concert last night?" asked the low browed person.

"Splendid," replied the lover of music. "Signor Spodelli actually made his violin talk."

"It's remarkable what some of these fellows can do with a fiddle. I heard a chap in vauville once who could imitate the howling of a dog to perfection."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Losing Ground.

"My wife is in a fix about her garden party."

"What's wrong?"

"Declinations are coming in about as fast as she can send invitations out."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Making Progress.

"Has he asked for your daughter's hand?"

"No, but I have hopes. He has taken to ordering the servants about."—Life.

A sunny temper glids the edges of life's blackest cloud.—Guthrie.

NATION BUILDS HUGE RESERVOIR

Elephant Butte Dam is Largest in the World

TO HARNESS THE RIO GRANDE

Project is Similar to Those Proposed for River Regulation in Pennsylvania and is Regarded as Absolutely Safe in Construction.

That the United States Government does not fear for the safety of storage reservoirs when properly constructed has been brought forcibly to the front by the dedication during October of the great Elephant Butte Dam on the Rio Grande by President Woodrow Wilson. This dam is to be used for irrigation purposes in the arid west but the principle of its construction and operation is the same as that of the reservoirs it is proposed shall be erected in Pennsylvania for river regulation, while the latter would be much smaller.

The Elephant Butte Dam is the largest and most important of the irrigation projects that the United States has undertaken in efforts to reclaim the desert lands of several Western States and make them productive. The work was begun in 1904, when the first borings for the foundations of the monster dam were made. Actual construction was commenced in July, 1910, so that the dedication by President Wilson will be the final formal event of six years' work on the project.

Largest Dam in the World. Actual completion of the construction occurred on May 12, last. The dam is the largest piece of masonry for the storage of water in the world. It contains 608,000 cubic yards of reinforced concrete. It is of the gravity type, straight in plan, 1,318.7 feet long at the top, which is 205 feet above the original level of the Rio Grande. From the deepest excavation the top is 306 feet high. On the top there is an 18-foot roadway. The cost of the structure alone was \$5,000,000, with an additional \$5,000,000 for the many canals and other work necessary for the distribution of the stored water. All of this work is not yet completed.

The total capacity of the dam is 2,642,232 acre feet of water, or sufficient to cover this number of acres to the depth of one foot. Putting it in another way, the reservoir behind the dam when full, will contain 862,200,000 gallons, which, if spread out one foot deep, would cover 4,285 square miles, an area over twice that of the State of Delaware.

The reservoir, pronounced the largest artificial body of water in the world, and known as Lake B. M. Hall, has a shore line of more than 200 miles, and an average width of two miles.

Is Practically Indestructible. The spillway is of the combination weir and tunnel type. The weir is 275 feet long, divided into five sections, with an elevation at the crest of 193 feet above the original river bed. There are four tunnel outlets, 10 feet in diameter, with a capacity permitting the safe discharge of 8,000 cubic feet of water per second. The discharge is controlled by 10-foot diameter cylinder gates.

The dam is a solid wall of masonry and concrete with a width of 215 feet at the base, tapering to a thickness of about 30 feet at the top. It is built to withstand anything but the most severe earthquake shock and is said to be practically indestructible.

Waters from the dam, which is located in Sierra County, will irrigate 320,000 acres of land in the Rio Grande Valley, in New Mexico, Texas and the Mexican State of Chihuahua, extending 130 miles below the dam.

By a treaty with Mexico the United States agrees to deliver to Mexico 20,000 feet of water annually without cost. In return Mexico waives all rights to the waters of the Rio Grande from the New Mexico-Chihuahua line to Fort Quitman, Texas, approximately 75 miles.

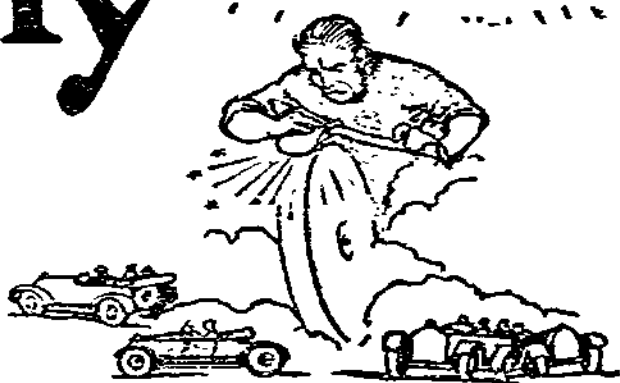
MEANS FOR FLOOD RELIEF ARE NOW WITHIN REACH.

Boston Advertiser Declares There's Little Excuse for Pennsylvania's Inactivity.

Outside observers of flood troubles in Pennsylvania have no hesitancy in stating that the means for relief are at hand if the people want to take advantage of them. The Boston Advertiser in discussing annual flood losses in various parts of the country makes this significant observation:

"If Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia would face the problem set them by the floods and build a system of storage reservoirs as a provision against such disaster, the initial expense would be very large, but it would not need to be repaid. The loss of life would be eliminated and so would the loss of property. There is little excuse for these states not taking some action which will make such floods impossible."

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WARSHIP FIGHTING TOPS.

They Are Now Mainly Used For Sentry and Signaling Work.

Lord Nelson was killed by a musket ball fired from the cross-trees of his French antagonist. Because of this fighting tops came into existence and, being developed to keep pace with other parts of naval construction, continue to be a traditional feature of the world's navies.

A century ago, when fighting men—marines, boarding parties, gun crews—crowded the upper decks of a warship, a sharpshooter posted aloft picked off many a man. But a big battleship in action today shows not a mark to the man in the fighting top.

In the days when it still remained possible for boatloads of armed men to swarm up the sides and board a fighting ship plunging shots were dropped from the fighting top. But with great steel walls overhanging the waves and never an accommodation ladder swung out for their welcome it is impossible for unwelcome guests to set foot on the modern deck.

The captain of the fighting top is usually in control of flag, semaphore and heliograph signaling, leaving the wireless to an invisible operator interned somewhere in the ship's vitals. He is the sentry against small inquisitive craft and may enforce his orders by the rattle of a light quick fire.

He has the outlook, reports and questions passing ships and has virtues as a detective against spies. His functions, however, are limited. He is not high enough placed to see the submarine creeping along a score of feet beneath the surface or to note its wake of broken water.

The fighting top is in big cruisers quite a massive affair and no longer the tiny breastwork behind which the picked riflemen of the ancients knelt. A duplicate set of range finders is usually kept there and used to check off the work of the experts in the fire control tower. There are light quick fireers and machine guns, possibly also a high angle gun or two for use against air craft.—Pearson's.

Original Home of Welshmen.

Jutland was probably the original home of our Kymric ancestors, as well as (at a later period) of some so-called Saxon invaders. It was peopled in classical times by the Cimbr, identified by ethnologists with the Cymry, or modern Welshmen. The Germans magnanimously declined to annex Jutland with Schleswig-Holstein. It was then considered a worthless waste of moors, sand dunes and marshes. But the industrious Danes have transformed what one English traveler styled "a forsaken wilderness" into the most

prosperous pastoral countries of western Europe.—Westminster Gazette.

Bee's Double Stomach.

The bee has two distinct stomachs. In the first it stores away the honey it so industriously gathers up from the flowers until such time as it is ready to yield it up, while the other stomach is used simply and solely for digestion purposes. Thus the food and the honey are never mixed. When the bee returns to the hive and is ready to deposit the honey it has gathered it contracts the muscles of the stomach, by which act the honey is ejected through the mouth. As to bee food, it is various in kind, consisting largely of the honey it so patiently makes for others.

No "Poor Land."

"That land of yours was mighty poor when you bought it," a friend of ours remarked to the wide awake owner of a beautiful farm we passed the other day, whereupon the owner delivered himself of a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance—or mighty nearly so. "You're mistaken," he said. "There's not any poor land when you manage it right." It is a true rule that "there is more in the man than there is in the land."—Progressive Farmer.

Superstitions of Royalty.

Caesar, Napoleon, Bismarck and others were not above the superstition of "lucky" and "unlucky" days. Thursday was the "unlucky" day of Henry VIII., of his son Edward and of his daughters, Mary and Elizabeth. It is strange that they should have died upon this day.

As Regards Vanity.

"All is vanity. At least so says the philosopher." "I don't know about that," chimed in the Plunkville sage, "but there is enough of it to keep the drug stores doing a good business in complexion contraptions."—Exchange.

Couldn't Fool Him.

Lecturer (in small town)—Of course you all know what the inside of a cornucopia is like. Chairman of Meeting (interrupting)—Most of us do, but ye better explain it for the benefit of them that has never been inside one. —Puck.

Got Familiar With Them.

Professor Fugue—What do you mean, Mr. Jones, by speaking of Dick Wagner, Ludie Beethoven, Charlie Gounod and Fred Handel? Jones—Well, you told me to get familiar with the great composers.—Musical America.

Calamities of Authors.

Homer was a beggar; Plautus turned a mill; Terence was a slave; Cervantes, the author of "Don Quixote," died of hunger; Bacon lived a life of meanness and distress; Hafeez died on the scaffold; Spenser, the charming, died in want; the death of Collins was through neglect, first causing mental derangement; Milton sold his copyright of "Paradise Lost" for £15; Dryden died in poverty and distress; Otway died prematurely and through grief; Lee died in the gutter; Swift lived a life of perfect warfare with ladies; Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield" was sold for a trifle to save him from the grip of law; Savage died in prison at Bristol, where he was confined for a debt of £5; Butler died a life of penury and died poor; Chatterton, the child of genius and misfortune, destroyed himself.

Naming the Gerrymander.

The gerrymander was christened in 1812, although it must have been in operation long before that. A staunch old Federalist, Governor Elbridge Gerry, controlled through his legislature the redistricting of Massachusetts under the census of 1810. In the office of Benjamin Russell, an ardent Republican editor, hung a map of the state as newly subdivided by Gerry and his men. Gilbert Stuart's ready pencil whimsically added to the outlines of a grotesque district the wings and tail of a dragon. "Ha," he said when he had finished. "How's that for a salamander?" The Republican Russell growled, "Better call it a gerrymander." And American politicians have taken his advice.

Barley Water.

Sometimes the doctor orders barley or oatmeal water for baby. When such is the case prepare as follows:

Add two tablespoonfuls of washed pearl barley or of oatmeal, as the case may be, to a quart of cold water. Boil this down to a pint, cooking slowly for about two hours. Then strain while hot and add a sufficient quantity of cold boiled water to make a quart of the fluid. Keep cool in a covered jar.

Jellyfish.

The bay of Naples abounds in medusae, or jellyfish, often growing as large as two feet in diameter and weighing fifty and sixty pounds. Some of them shine at night with a greenish light and are known as "noctiluca" (night lanterns) by the natives.

The Limit.

"They say old Closest has still got the first dollar he ever made." "Yes, and I'll bet he has still got the first umbrella he ever borrowed."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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Jutland is one of the few countries where political change has been avoided. Denmark has looked after the Jutes for over 1,500 years without challenge. But the sea has refused to let Jutland alone. Like Holland, it needs the protection of dikes, and but for these there would be considerably less Jutland. Even on the east coast, with its higher elevation, the sea runs into many inlets. One of the longest of these, the Lyndorf, was in 1825 broken into five by the west by the waters of the North sea, and the north corner of Jutland has ever since remained an island.—London Chronicle.

Had His Title All Ready.

Disraeli's first novel affords a curious instance of intelligent anticipation. Among the host of characters in "Vivian Grey," most of them slightly veiled portraits of celebrities of the day. Lord Beaconsfield is one of the most important in the secondary rank. The novel was written in 1826, exactly fifty years before the writer assumed the title he had invented. It is usual for novelists to portray themselves in their first book, but no other instance can be found of an author christening a character with a name subsequently to become his own.—London Spectator.

Sheepskin.

Sheepskin was used as parchment before the invention of paper. Even then it was a substitute for vellum, which is made from calfskin and of a far finer quality than parchment, and was employed for fine illuminated work. Tanned sheepskins are in the trade called basils. For these there are many legitimate uses, but it is for imitation purposes that the sheepskin is most largely used.

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HIS TWO TENSE MOMENTS.

One a Ninth Inning Crisis, the Other a Dinner Table Climax.

I heard a prominent Cambridge man tell of the two most tense moments of his life. But the tension in each case was different.

"I doubt if I ever shall forget either occasion," he said reflectively. "They were big moments."

"The first was when I was in college. I was captain of the baseball team that year. We came to the end of the ninth. We needed one run to tie the score and another to win the game. Two men were down and two on the sacks when I came to bat. And for once in my career I did it. I lined out a three bouncer right over the railroad track. When I hit it I—well, that was one occasion."

"And the other?" He chuckled, but a slow flush crept over his cheeks. "It was thirty years ago, soon after I left college. I went over to see a girl I thought was pretty nice and to meet her folks for the first time. I went on a Sunday. All the men were away. And they had duck for dinner." He stopped. "Over carve a duck?" he asked meaningfully. "No, neither had I before. Nor have I since." His flush deepened. "I never even went to see that girl again," he added plaintively. —Boston Journal.

BONEHEAD BASEBALL

One Curious Break That Even the Umpires Did Not Notice.

Baseball's champion foolish play was made in a game between Washington and the White Sox in 1907. In that battle Larry Schaff was captain of the Washingtons and also played second base.

At the end of an early inning Schaff went out to telephone or buy a goat or something and was delayed so long that the Senators had three men put out before his return.

The Sox came trotting in for their turn at bat. Washington took the field with only eight men and nobody on second, and the game went on that way till Fielder Jones hit one a-mirch across second. Then, and not till then was it discovered that there was no body on second base.

Incredible as it may seem, nineteen men—seventeen players and two umpires—had started the half inning in this fashion and not one of them got wise till Jones' hit shot over the empty station.

Schaff reappeared at this juncture, and the umpires decided that the hit was illegal when made with only eight men in the field. Jones had to go back and bat over.—New York Sun.

RHEUMATISM AFTER HIS DAY'S OUTING

Hunting Trip On a Wet Day Brings Painful Results.

Once upon a time Charles Mullen, of Philadelphia, went gunning. It was a dismal rainy day, and long exposure to cold and wet brought on a severe attack of rheumatism. He was confined to his home.

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